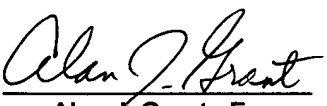


REMARKS

Claims 22-24 and 29-40 are under examination and have been rejected.

In response to the Communication from the Examiner, Applicants have amended the status identifier for claim 31 to read that the claim is "currently amended" in place of "previously presented" and no other changes have been made to any of the claims. Applicants remarks, contained in the amendment filed on 19 April 2004 are reiterated herein.

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